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It's 2100 and the earth is an ecological wasteland. The governmental organization known as the Z.P.T. has a plan to purify the planet, but it fails tragically. Was the disaster that follows Z.P.T.'s intention all along? In this post-apocalyptic future, three buxom young women - Liza, Woolly, Mill and one fortunate young man - Louis, use their mechanical prowess to fend off waves of the government's state-of-the-art military forces in an attempt to save the world!

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LOUIS

THE ONLY BOY IN THE GROUP
A FOURTEEN YEAR-OLD
WHO IS WELL INFORMED
WHEN IT COMES TO MECHANICS
ACTUALLY A MECHANIC



LIZA

A CLEAR AND
COOL-HEADED SIXTEEN YEAR-OLD
LEADER OF THE TEAM.
WHO CAN DO ANYTHING



WOOTY

A FOURTEEN YEAR-OLD WHO BOASTS
OF HAVING THE BIGGEST BOOBS
AMONG THE MEMBERS.
SHE IS SHORT-TEMPERED AND HAS
GREAT STRENGTH. SHE IS ALSO A
DECENT MECHANIC.

MILL

THIRTEEN YEARS-OLD
AND A DAUGHTER OF
A WEALTHY FAMILY.
HER SPECIALTY IS IN
DRIVING A TANK.
HER COOLING IS LETHAL.

CHARACTERS

WORLD VIEW

EARTH, 2100 A.D. WITH THE STEADY INCREASE OF POPULATION EXCEEDING 10 BILLION, THE EXHAUSTION OF ALL NATURAL RESOURCES IS CLOSE AT HAND. DURING THIS PERIOD THE HUMAN RACE HAS SPLIT INTO TWO DOMINANT IDEOLOGIES: THE 'EARTH REGENERATION' FACTION, WHO VOW TO USE THE REMAINING RESOURCES TO HELP REVIVE AND NURTURE THE EARTH; AND THE 'MARS PIONEER' FACTION, WHO SEEK THE COLONIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARS THROUGH THE USE OF EARTH'S REMAINING RESOURCES. RECENTLY THE MARS PIONEER FACTION INITIATED THEIR 'MARS COLONIZATION PLAN'—A GREAT MIGRATION UTILIZING THE USE OF EARTH'S REMAINING RESOURCES. THE 'MASS LAUNCHER' AIMED DIRECTLY AT MARS. THEY RALLIED AT THE GIGANTIC CRATER "GRAND GANTRY" LOCATED ON THE AUSTRALIAN CONTINENT. ALERTED TO THEIR PLAN IN ADVANCE, THE EARTH REGENERATION FACTION LAUNCHED A SURPRISE ATTACK IN ATTEMPTS TO THWART THEIR MISSION. IT WAS THIS EVENT THAT IGNITED THE 'LAST WORLD WAR' (L.W.W.).

THE WAR LASTED FOUR YEARS, AND THE NUMEROUS WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION USED TOOK A HEAVY TOLL ON THE EARTH'S ENVIRONMENT. THE PLANET BECAME DESERT—A BARREN WASTELAND WITH AN ATMOSPHERE SEETHING IN DANGEROUS CHARGED PARTICLES. THE MARS PIONEER FACTION MANAGED TO ESCAPE TO MARS, LEAVING THE CLEANSING OF EARTH IN THE HANDS OF A FULLY AUTOMATED PURIFICATION SYSTEM CALLED 'Z.T.P.'. SO IT WAS THAT THE PEOPLE OF EARTH SPENT THEIR DAYS STRUGGLING TO SURVIVE IN AN INHOSPITABLE ENVIRONMENT WITH LITTLE HOPE OF A BRIGHT TOMORROW.

THIRTY YEARS LATER THE CITIES CONSTRUCTED FOR THE 'REDEVELOPMENT OF EARTH' BEGAN TO VANISH. RESPONSIBILITY ON Z.T.P.'S NANO-MACHINES—THEY HAD GONE WILD. WITH THEIR HOMES LOST TO THE SUDDEN APPEARANCE OF THE 'SAND ROOTER' LIZA, WOOTY, MILL, AND LOUIS BUN TOGETHER AND MARCH FORTH INTO THE HOSTILE WORLD. THE EXCAVATION AND RESTORATION OF A HOVER-TANK FROM AN OLD WEAPON'S GRAVEYARD PROPELLED OUR HERO AND HERONES ON A SINGLE MISSION: TO STOP THE Z.T.P.'S RECKLESS CLEANSING. IT IS FROM THIS DESOLATE BACKDROP THAT THREE LONE GIRLS AND A BOY SALLY FORTH ON A GREAT ADVENTURE.





LOUIS!!



WOOTY...

I SLAMMED MY
HEAD LIKE IT
WAS A HAMMER!
YOU TRYIN' TO
KILL ME?!



MILL...

OMIGOSSSH!!

LIZA...



WHAT
THE HELL IS
GOING ON?!



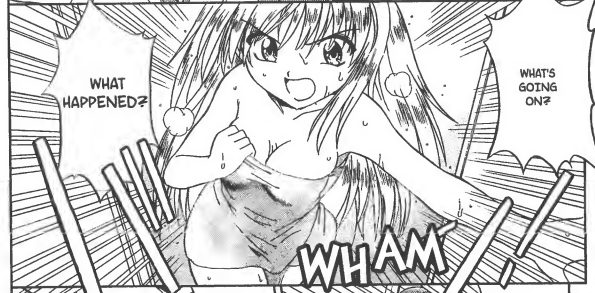
WHY DID WE
SUDDENLY
STOP...?

WHAT IS
THIS?

MACHINE
EMERGENCY
ALERT!

TAP

MACHINE
EMERGENCY
ALERT!!



WHAT
HAPPENED?

WHAT'S
GOING
ON?

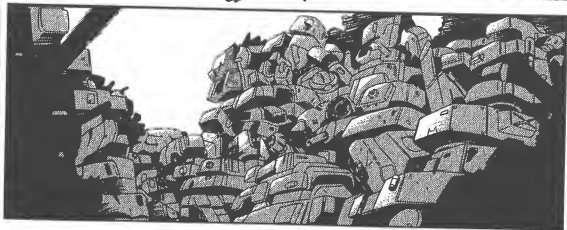


OMIGOSH/
OMIGOSH!!

THAT BASTARD!!
DOESN'T KNOW
HOW TO DRIVE
FOR SHIT!!



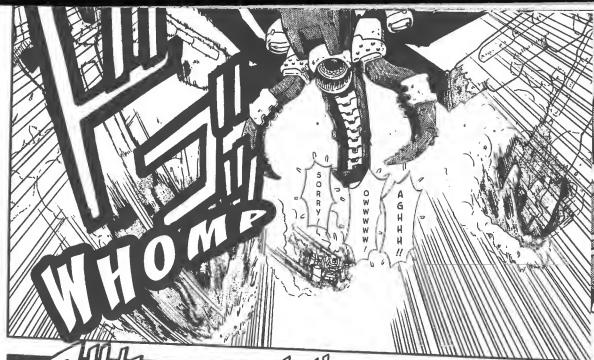














THE FIREARM
CONTROL
SYSTEM WILL
TAKE CARE OF
THE REST!!

FIND THE
AUTO-TARGET
SWITCH...
AND TURN
IT ON!!

I FINALLY
GOT ON...

THAT BOY
REALLY KNOWS
HIS MECHAS...

I HAD NO
IDEA IT
WAS HERE...

HURRY
!!

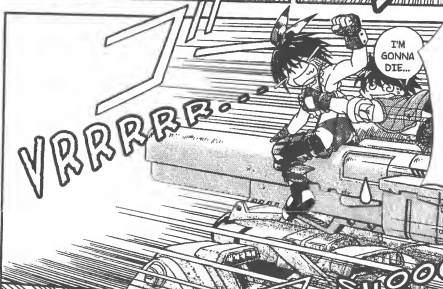
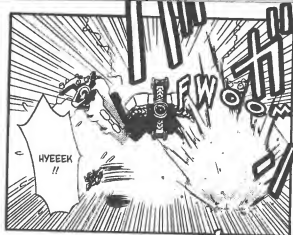
HURRY THE
LEFT PANEL?

GHOMP
GHOMP

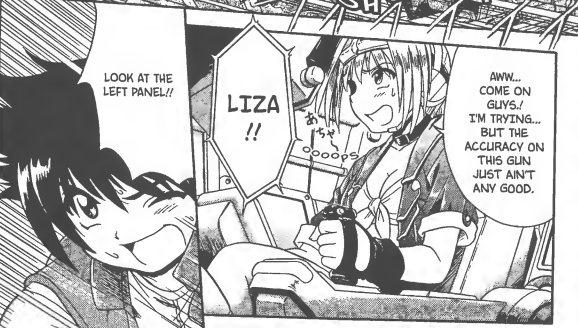
SKREEE

FSHHHH

SKREEE

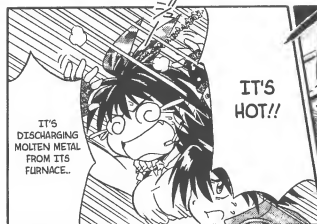


LIZA!!
YOU IDIOT!!
YOU TRYIN'
TO
KILL US?!



LOOK AT THE
LEFT PANEL!!

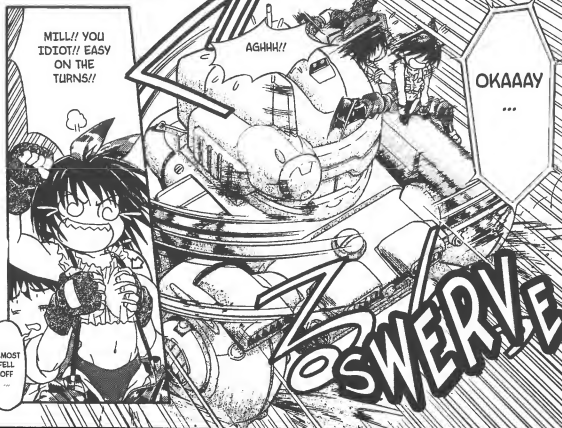
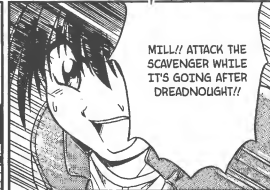
AWW...
COME ON
GUYS!!
I'M TRYING...
BUT THE
ACCURACY ON
THIS GUN
JUST AIN'T
ANY GOOD.



IT'S
HOT!!



WHA...? BUT
THIS BOY'S
WEAPONS
WON'T DO ANY
DAMAGE TO IT
...





THAT'S
RIGHT! AS
LONG AS HE
TURNS
TOWARDS
US...

BUT
THAT'LL
PUT US
BACK AT
TREASURE
ISLAND
!!

LIZA,
NOW
!!

HIS
SIDE'S
OPEN
!!



I'M
FALLING/
FALLING
!!

OOUCH!
MY
HANDS
!!

A
H
H
!

IT'S
NOT
WORKING
!!

CONTINUE
ATTACKING!!
SWING TO THE
RIGHT!!

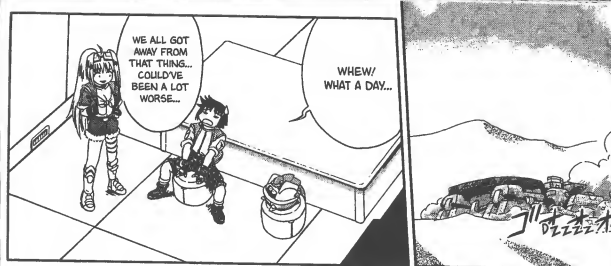
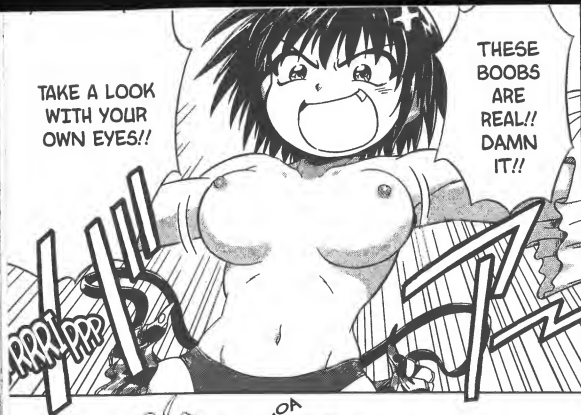


GOT
HIM
!!



TRY
SOME
OF
THIS!

KA-THOOOM



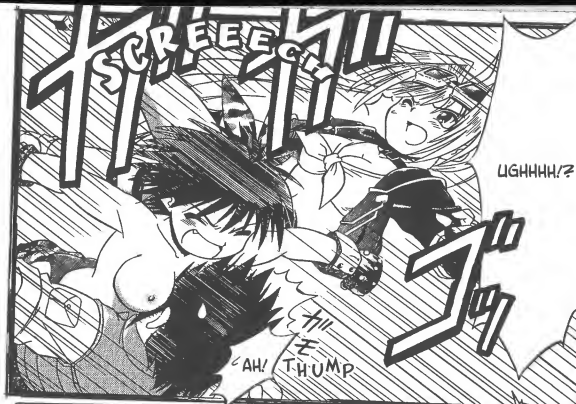
WILL YOU
COVER
THOSE UP
FIRST?!

LET'S GET
OUT THERE!!

SHALL WE
GO TOO?
MAY THERE
BE PEACE...

HEY! WAIT
FOR MEEE...

AND
"THIS"
IS OUR
HERO?



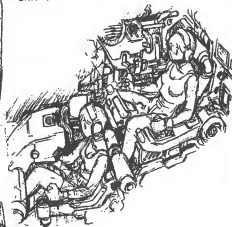
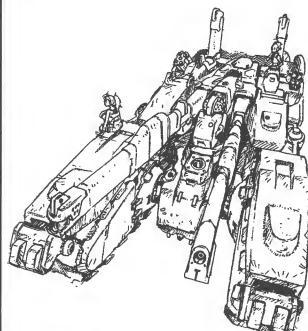


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DREADNOUGHT

DATA

32066-YEAR SERIES
MODEL TYPE: MBT/HBT2096DIA
MAKE: GUEBACK & OULIN CORP.
OVERALL LENGTH: 11.8M
OVERALL BODY LENGTH: 13.2M
CURB WEIGHT: 85T
MAX. SPEED: 120KM/H
EQUIPMENT: ALL-IN-ONE SCHWARZSCHILD-TYPE SPEED REDUCER
PSEUDO-PLASMA MOTOR*1
ENVELOPE-TYPE DRIVING UNIT*1
25-FOOT DOUBLE-ACCELERATING LINEAR CANNON (VECTOR)*2
2097-MODEL HR TURNING TURRET UNIT*1



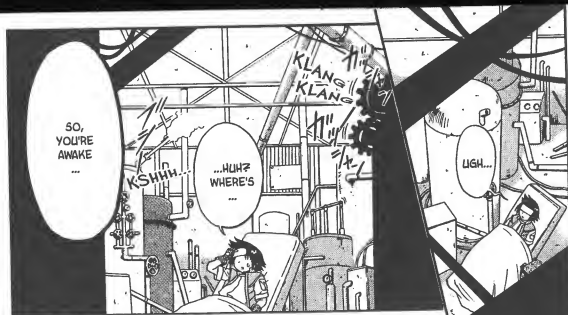
COCKPIT

By activating the "Firearms Control System", it will automatically detect the target and intercept attacks without the need of a gunner.

STANDING MODE

The two protruding cannons of the main guns give it an empowering disposition. Close combat is possible when transformed to standing mode. Another advantage of this mode is its elevated height which assists in locating targets. Some mobility is lost, but with the hovering type modification, this loss is negligible.

Dreadnought is a type of hover tank called "HBT" and was mass-produced in the last world war (L.W.W.). Serving as a major weapon in the war, it continues to play an active role today. At a time when the military focused on light-weight tanks, this unique tank was equipped with sturdy armor and heavy weaponry. Built with two 25-foot double-accelerating linear cannons, the "HBT" is capable of annihilating targets with a single shot. The dreadnought played a significant role when deployed during the landing operation of "D-Day" in the year 2100.



SO,
YOU'RE
AWAKE
...

...HUM?
WHERE'S
...

UGH...

LIZA ASKED
ME TO LOOK
AFTER YOU
...

I'M
DONTAPLE,
THE "WATER
MERCHANT"

WHA...

HER



OH,
LET ME PUT THAT
WATER ON THE
TAB TOO.

GOING SHOPPING.
THEY'LL BE BACK BY
EVENING.

WHERE'RE
LIZA AND
THE GANG?

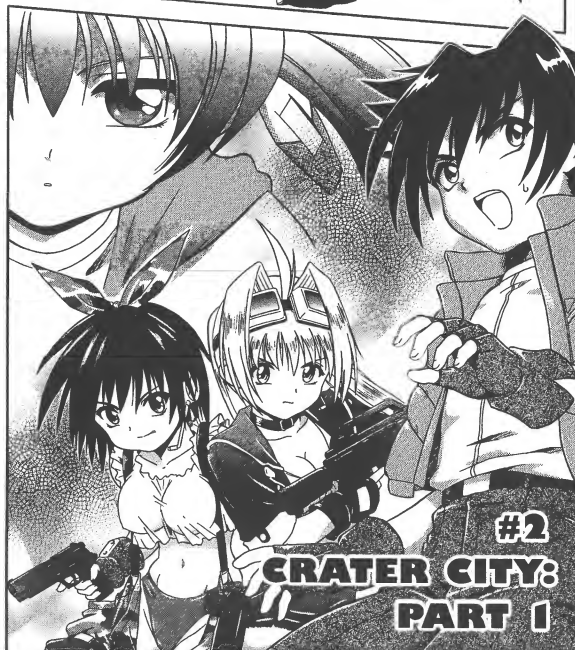
WATER HAS
BECOME A
VALUABLE
COMMODITY
IN THIS
WORLD.

WHAAT?



OW!

SHUDDUP!!



#2

CRATER CITY:
PART 1



GIVE UP
AND HAND
OVER YOUR
DAUGHTER!!

THERE'S
NO USE
RUNNING
AWAY!!

TSK...
WHAT A
QUICK
GETAWAY
...

IS THAT A...
BOUNTY
HUNTER?

WHY
ARE
THEY
AFTER
THIS
LITTLE
GIRL?

WOW...
SHE'S A
DOLL...

HER
DAUGHTER
?



AAAAAH!!?

THWAAM



ACK...
Y-YES!

I-TM
SORRY,
SONNY...
ARE YOU
ALRIGHT?

WHAT
THE...
?!

OWWW!



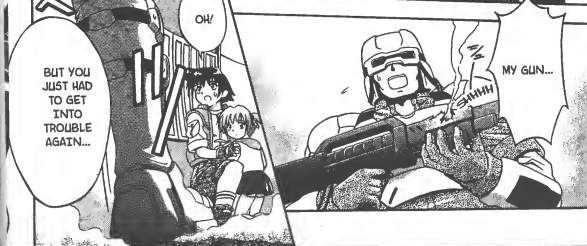
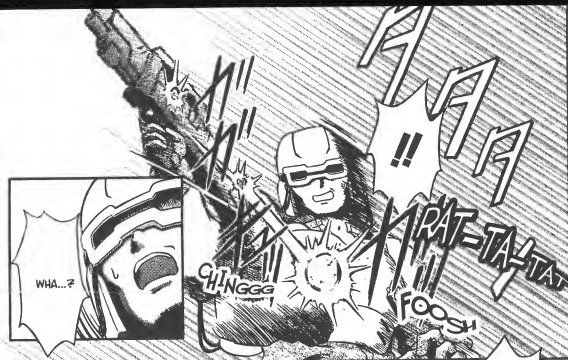
LOOK
OUT
!!

OW!
AGAIN
?!

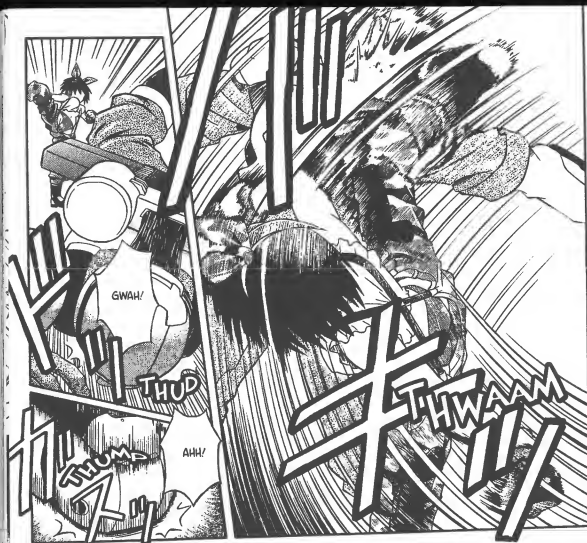
SHE
CALLED
ME
SONNY...













MOMMY
!!

MAMET...



...TSK
...
NOW...
DROP YOUR
WEAPONS...



ROY!!!

THUMP

WORRY NOT.
I LOWERED
THE VOLTAGE.

BIFF/ YOU
TRYING TO
KILL ME,
TOO?!

H-HE'S GOT
PARTNERS?!

I WOULDN'T
TRY ANYTHING
RASH IF I
WERE YOU,
LADIES.

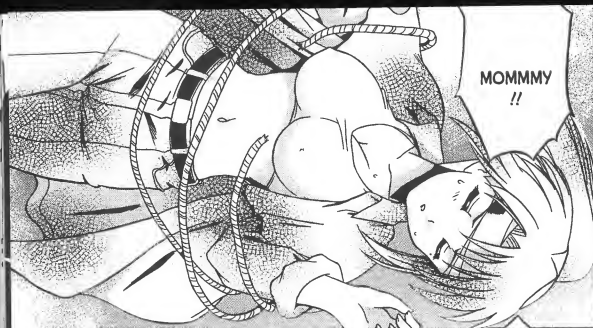
I-IM
ALLARRRRIG-
GHT...
NNNOOTHING
SSSERIOUS...

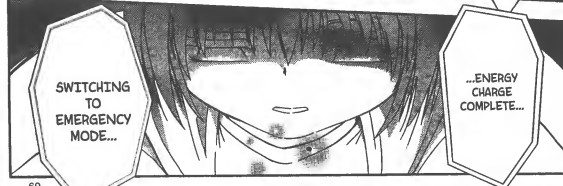
WOOTY/
ARE YOU
ALL
RIGHT?

THIS IS
WHAT I
MEAN!!

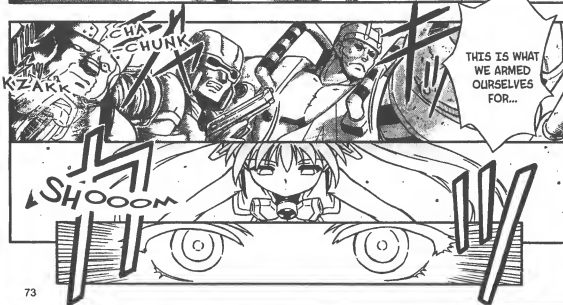
WHADYA
MEAN...?



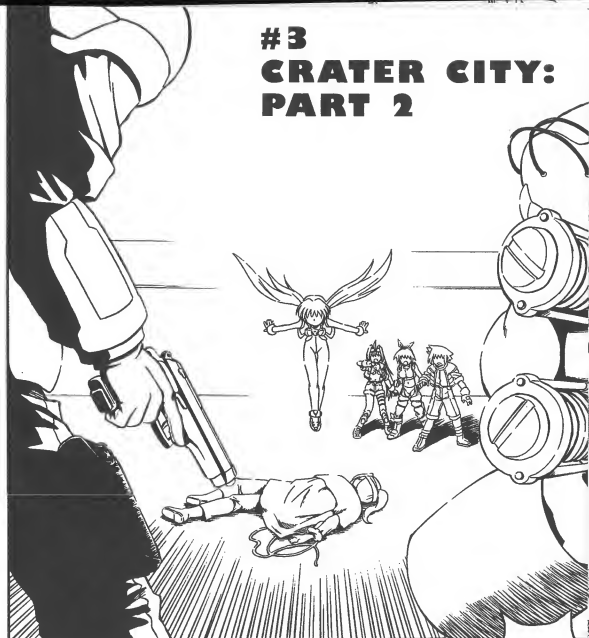




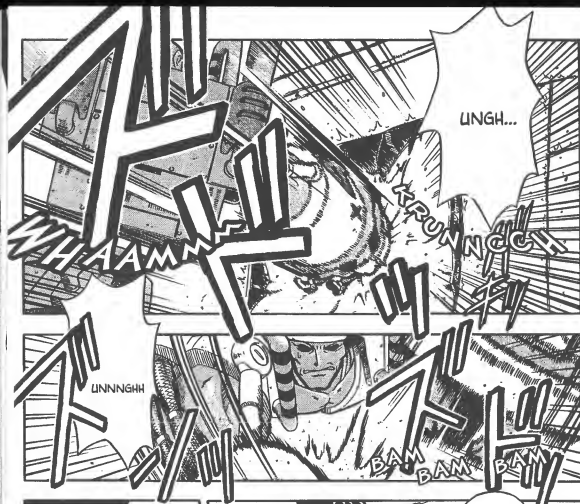




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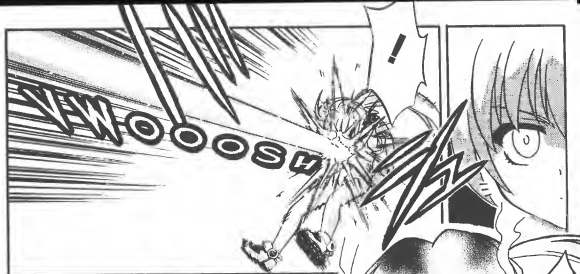
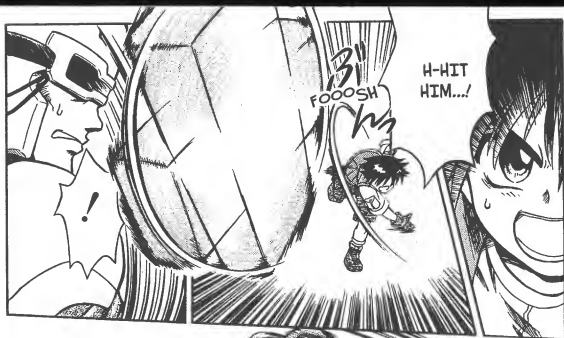


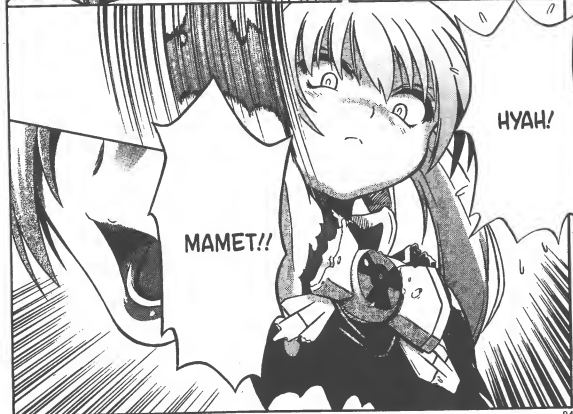




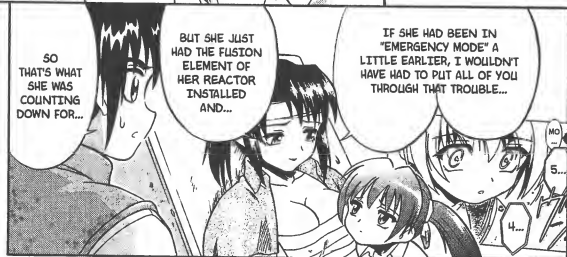


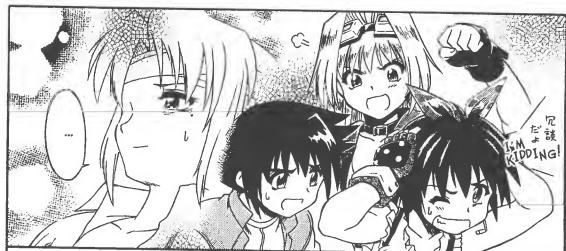




















LOOKS LIKE
THE
"AFFILIATION
SYSTEM"
IS AT WORK.

POP!!



N
O
O
O
O
!!

SUCH A
LOOSE
GIRL!!

SO, YOU TWO HAVE
BEEN SEEING EACH
OTHER?

ぷるぷる
PURR...



HER "MOTHER'S" DEATH
CAUSED A TEMPORARY
SHUT DOWN OF THE
PROGRAM. NOW THAT
IT'S RE-ACTIVATED,
SHE'S IMPRINTING ON
YOU TWO...

ぷるぷる
PURR...



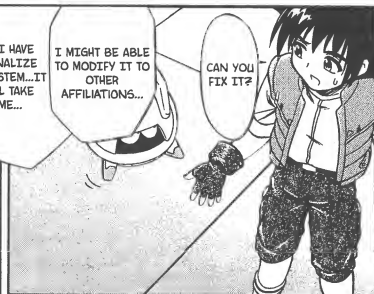
IT SPECIFIES
RELATIONSHIPS
WITH THIRD
PARTIES AND
TAKES ACTION
BASED
ON THAT...

IT'S A PROGRAM
DESIGNED FOR
ANDROIDS TO
BETTER HELP
THEM "BLEND"
INTO SOCIETY.



BUT I HAVE
TO ANALYZE
THE SYSTEM...IT
WILL TAKE
TIME...

FINE... BUT
JUST
MODIFY
IT, OKAY?



I MIGHT BE ABLE
TO MODIFY IT TO
OTHER
AFFILIATIONS...

CAN YOU
FIX IT?



WHAAAAAT?

DADDY!!



UH?!

THEN WHY
IS SHE...?

NO!
NOTHING
HAPPENED
!!



"DADDY"?
LOUIS, YOU
DIDN'T...
WITH THAT
WOMAN?

ぷるぷる
PURR...



WHAAAAAT
!?

MOMMY!!

WHOA!!

THIS
EARTH IS
FULL OF
JUNK...

A LONG
JOURNEY
TO THE
END
OF THE
EARTH...

WE HAVE
ADDED A
NEW MEMBER
TO OUR
JOURNEY...

LET'S GO!!

OH WELL...

COME ON! YOU
CAN STOP NOW!!
AT LEAST STOP
SNUDDLING.

STOP THAT
YOU TWO!!

AGGK!!

DADDY 3

SO...

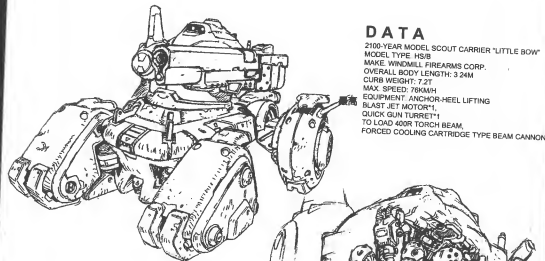


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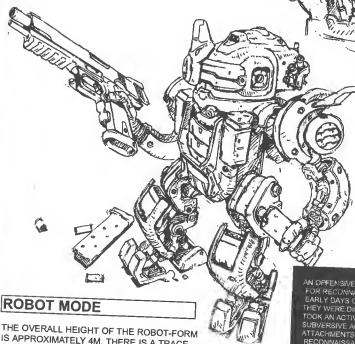
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2199-YEAR MODEL SCOUT CARRIER "LITTLE BOW"
MODEL TYPE HEB
MAKE VINCHILL FIREARMS CORP.
OVERALL BODY LENGTH: 3.24M
CURB HEIGHT: 7.27
MAX. SPEED: 780KMH
EQUIPMENT: JAW-HEEL LIFTING
BLAST JET MOTORCYCLES
QUICK GUN TURRETT*
TO LOAD 4000 TORCH BEAM,
FORCED COOLING CARTRIDGE TYPE BEAM CANNON.



COCKPIT

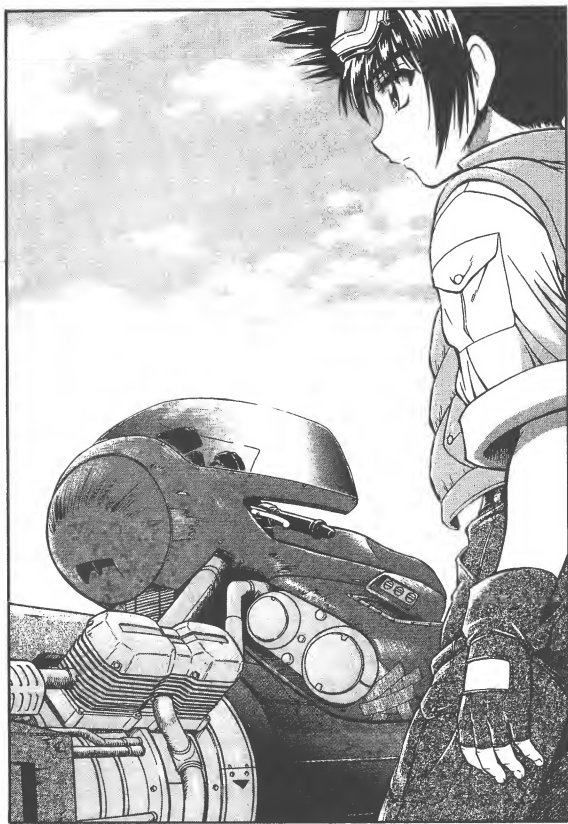
ONE-MANDED RECONNAISSANCE
VEHICLE FROM A SUPINE POSITION,
THE PILOT CONTROLS THE VEHICLE'S
MOVEMENT VIA INDEPENDENT FOOT
PEDALS. THE TURRET AND MAIN GUN
ARE MANIPULATED USING JOYSTICK
CONTROLS.



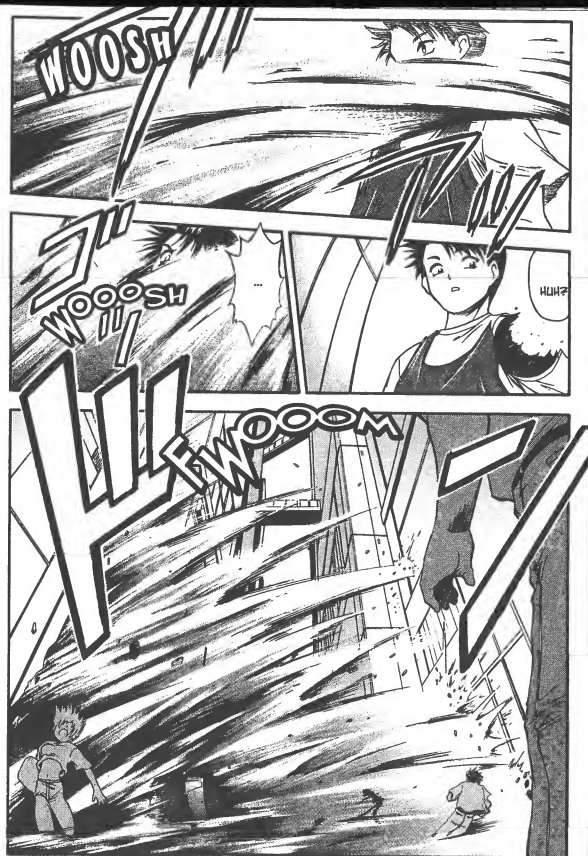
ROBOT MODE

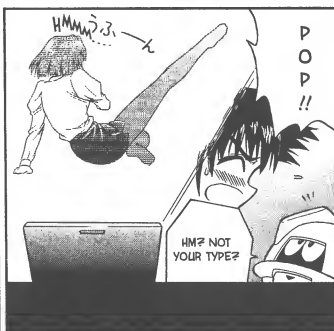
THE OVERALL HEIGHT OF THE ROBOT-FORM
IS APPROXIMATELY 4M. THERE IS A TRACE
OF LITTLE-BOW'S ROUND DESIGN LEFT EVEN
WHEN IT TRANSFORMS INTO A ROBOT.
JOINTS ARE MOVED BY SERVO MOTORS
INSTALLED IN EIGHT LOCATIONS.

AN OPEN SOURCE ASSAULT MINI-TOWER TANK DEVELOPED
FOR RECONNAISSANCE PURPOSES PRODUCED IN THE
EARLY DAYS OF THE WAR IN 2199.
THEY WERE EMPLOYED IN THE BATTLEFRONT AND
TOOK AN ACTIVE ROLE IN CONSTRUCTION WORKS AND
ATTACHMENTS. IT CAN BE EQUIPPED WITH
RECONNAISSANCE, MANEUVERING, AND BATTLE TYPES.
IT IS USEFUL IN FLEET COMBAT AS WELL. IN 2199, LARGE
QUANTITIES OF LITTLE BOWS WERE DEPLOYED IN THE
AUSTRALIAN CONTINENT AS SCOUT CARS WITH GREAT
SUCCESS.



#4 SAND ROOTER

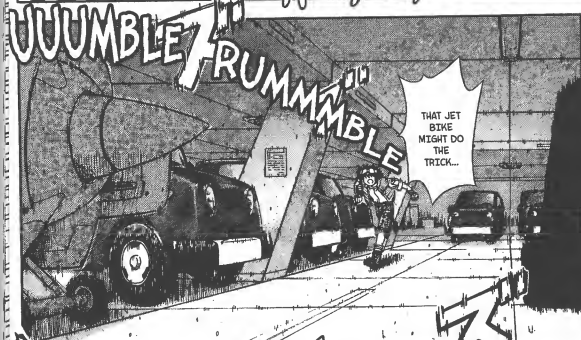






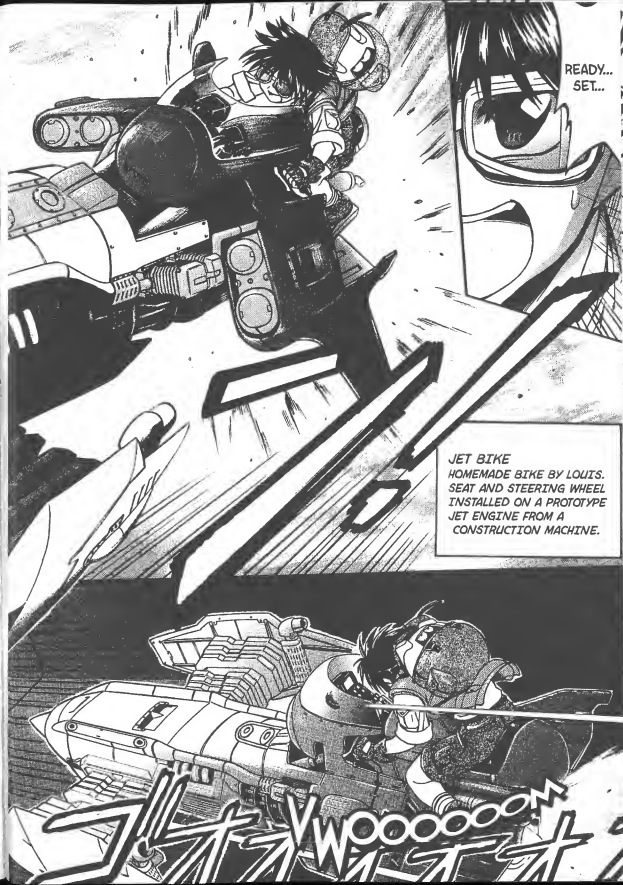
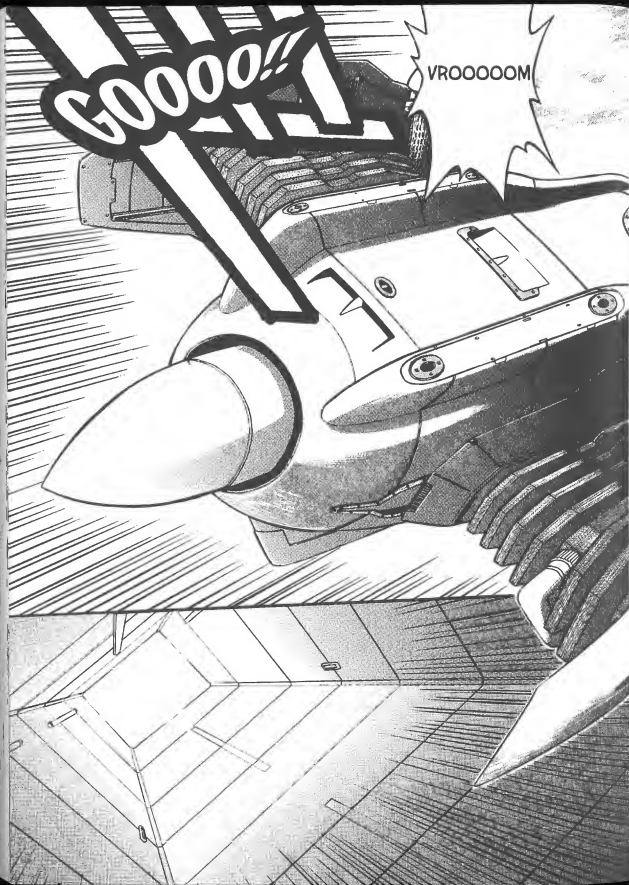


ACH...
NASTY!



DIDNT THINK
MY FIRST
RUN ON THIS
WOULD TURN
OUT THIS WAY...









IF YOU GET
DRAGGED
IN, YOU'RE
DEAD MEAT!!

US...



I'VE GOT TO
HELP THOSE
PEOPLE!

IMPOSSIBLE!
DON'T LOOK
BACK!



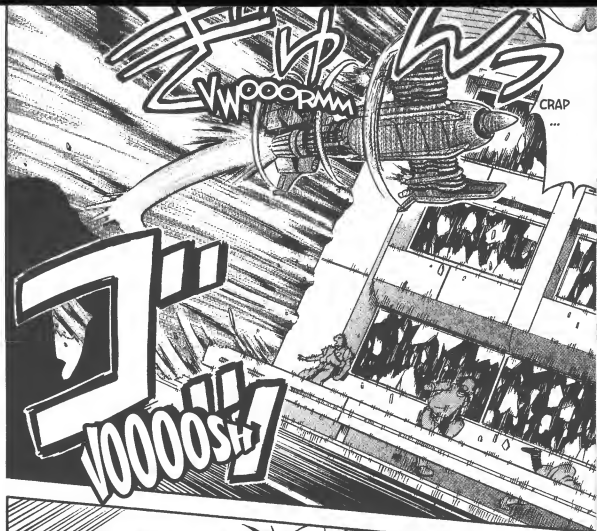
ALL I CAN DO
IS RUN
AWAY...?

SHIT...

SHIT!!



AAAAH!



CRAP...



IS THAT
A... SAND
STORM?

WHAT'S...
WHAT'S GOING
ON?!

IT SEEMS TO BE A
COLLECTIVE BODY OF
NANO-MACHINES!



A VERY REAL
NIGHTMARE...
I'LL NEVER FORGET
THAT DAY WHEN MY
WHOLE CITY
VANISHED!

OH...
IT WAS
JUST A...
DREAM...

WHERE
DADDY
USED TO
LIVE?

HM? YEAH, I'M ALL RIGHT.
JUST REMEMBERING
THE PLACE I USED TO
LIVE IN...

DADDY,
YOU ALL
RIGHT?

JUST ONE OF MANY CITIES THAT WERE
BUILT USING THE REMAINS FROM THE
WAR ...LIMITED RESOURCES. IT WAS
COMFORTABLE THERE...BUT NOT A LOT
HAPPENING... PRETTY BORING PLACE.

I... USED TO
LIVE IN A
"REGENERATION
CITY".

RIGHT...

UH-HUH
...

DADDY!!

ACK!!

MAMET? WHY ARE
YOU ON MY
BED?!

HRN?

HRN?

SLEEPING AT
THE WHEEL
AGAIN?

YOUR BED,
MY ASS!

AAAAAAGH!!



READY!?

DINNER'S
...

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REEET



CHU
CYLE
3?



WHAT'S
WRONG?
WHY SO
GLOOMY...

...OH?



OH YEAH,
IT WAS
MELL'S
TURN...

ALRIGHT!
LET'S GET
SOME CHOW!!

R-RIGHT!

YOU HAVE A
PROBLEM WITH
TART?



EVERYONE DIED...
EXCEPT ME...

DADDOY



... I GUESS IT'S
NOT EASY TO
FORGET THAT...

WE WERE LIKE
THAT TOO IN THE
BEGINNING.



DEVOURING THE
WHOLE CITY!
MY ROOM... THE
PEOPLE... MY
FRIENDS ALL
DISAPPEARED...

THEN ONE DAY,
A WHITE SAND
STORM SUDDENLY
HIT US...

NOTHING...
WAS SUPPOSED
TO HAPPEN...

AND I'M
PROBABLY THE
ONLY ONE WHO
ESCAPED!



...YOU'RE
TELLING
ME.

AND...
EVEN NOW...



IT'S THE "EARTH ENVIRONMENT PURIFICATION SYSTEM" LEFT ON THE EARTH BY THE PEOPLE WHO ESCAPED TO MARS.

HMMM?



WHAT'S A "Z.P.T."?

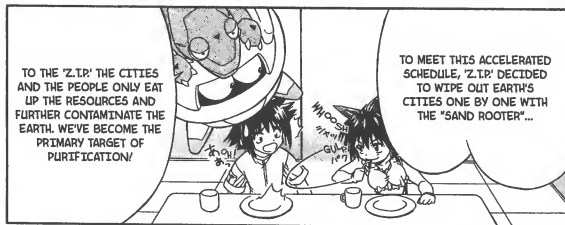
ANYWAYS, WHO'D HAVE GUESSED TO END UP ON A JOURNEY TO CONFRONT "Z.P.T."...



BUT THEY MODIFIED THE "Z.P.T.'S PROGRAM TO PURIFY THE EARTH'S ENVIRONMENT IN 200 YEARS...AND THEN LEFT THE EARTH BEHIND.

ORIGINALLY, IT WAS SUPPOSED TO PURIFY THE EARTH, A PROCESS THAT WOULD TAKE 800 YEARS.

ENVIRONMENT? PURIFICATION?



TO THE "Z.P.T." THE CITIES AND THE PEOPLE ONLY EAT UP THE RESOURCES AND FURTHER CONTAMINATE THE EARTH. WE'VE BECOME THE PRIMARY TARGET OF PURIFICATION!

TO MEET THIS ACCELERATED SCHEDULE, "Z.P.T." DECIDED TO WIPE OUT EARTH'S CITIES ONE BY ONE WITH THE "SAND ROOTER"...



VULGAR? WHAT DO YOU MEAN VULGAR!!

THERE'S MORE FOR EVERYONE!

HEY YOU'VE GOT FOOD ALL OVER YOUR MOUTH!!

IT WAS THANKS TO YOUR VULGAR TRANSMISSION THAT I AM STILL ALIVE TODAY...



HERE IT IS ...

MTL'S SPECIAL CHAR-FLAVORED MILITARY RATION.



THE CITY... IT'S GONE...!

IT CAN'T BE...

IF I HADN'T BEEN RESCUED BY YOU GUYS...

SLAP SLAP
y-
YEAH.

YOU SHOULD BE GRATEFUL, MAN!!

I WOULD'VE BEEN IN THE DESERT BY MYSELF...



...TO SAVE
OURSELVES...
AND OUR
CITIES.

WE JUST
WANT TO
STOP
Z.P.T.'S
CARNAGE...

I SEE
...



NO, WE'RE NOT
GOING TO
DESTROY THEM.
RIGHT NOW
PURIFICATION
IS WHAT EARTH
REALLY NEEDS.

THEN WE ARE
GOING TO
DESTROY THE
"Z.P.T."?



BUT...

SOMEONE'S GOT
TO DO IT!!



I WONDER
IF THEY
WILL EVEN
LISTEN TO
US?

WE MIGHT JUST
GET WIPED BY
ANOTHER "SAND
ROOTER".



REALLY...
WHAT A WAY
TO YOLIN-
TEER!





THEY MISSED...?

WHAT THE...?

AT THIS RANGE...? MUST BE AN AMATEUR...



WHA!?

N-NO, DON'T GO BACK!!



NOW'S OUR CHANCE TO BACK OUT!!



I BET THOSE WERE "MIDAIR-SCATTERING SMART MINES"!! REMEMBER THE WRECKS WE PASSED?

WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU? IF WE DON'T HURRY, THAT THING WILL PULVERIZE US!!



THAT "MOUNTAIN'S" MOVING?!

W...WHAT IS THAT MASSIVE THING... A MOUNTAIN?

T-THAT CAN'T BE... IS THAT "WELTSCHMERZ"?

WHAT'S THAT?



A GIGANTIC MOBILE FORTRESS THAT WAS BUILT IN THE LAST DAYS OF THE WAR!!





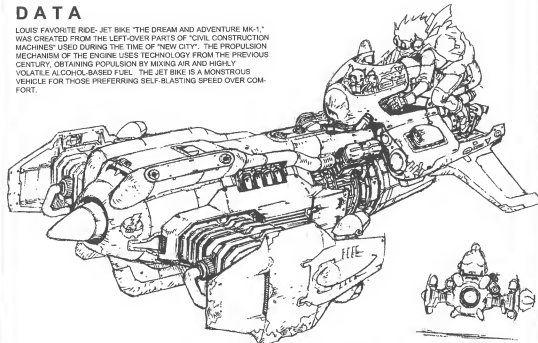


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JET BIKE

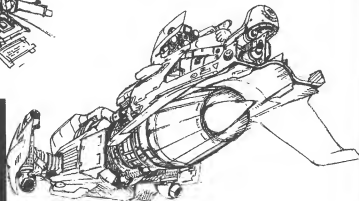
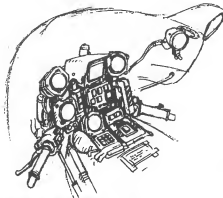
DATA

LOUIS FAVORITE RIDE- JET BIKE "THE DREAM AND ADVENTURE MC-1" WAS CREATED FROM THE LEFT-OVER PARTS OF "CIVIL CONSTRUCTION MACHINES" USED DURING THE TIME OF "NEW CITY". THE PROPULSION MECHANISM OF THE ENGINE USES TECHNOLOGY FROM THE PREVIOUS CENTURY, OBTAINING PROPULSION BY MIXING AIR AND HIGHLY VOLATILE ALCOHOL-BASED FUEL. THE JET BIKE IS A MONUMENTOUS VEHICLE FOR THOSE PREFERRING SELF-BLASTING SPEED OVER COMFORT.



COCKPIT

SO MANY INSTRUMENTS ARE LINED UP AT THE PERIPHERAL OF THE COCKPIT, YOU WOULD THINK IT WAS A COCKPIT OF AN AIRCRAFT. CONTROL IS DONE BY CHECKING VARIOUS METERS INCLUDING SPEEDOMETER, TACHOMETER, FUEL GAUGE, AND ALTIMETER. THE STEERING IS CLOSELY RELATED TO THAT OF A MOTORCYCLE.



THE GIANTIC ENGINE UNIT COVERS A THIRD OF THE MACHINE'S FULL LENGTH. LARGE WIRES ARE ATTACHED IN FRONT TO STABILIZE THE HIGH-SPEED FLIGHT, AND THIS IS ALSO THE PLACE WHERE THE BREAK MECHANISM IS INSTALLED. THE COCKPIT IS ON THE EXHAUST NOZZLE. QUITE UNCOMFORTABLE TO RIDE IN, STEERING INVOLVES NEGOTIATING BETWEEN THE CONSTANT VIBRATION AND ROAR OF THE ENGINE. THERE ARE ALSO EXHAUST NOZZLES BELOW THE BIKE'S BODY TO ENABLE POWER DOWN.

AND WHY GO
THROUGH ALL THE
TROUBLE TO
SET UP
THIS TRAP?

WHY...?

WHY AREN'T
THEY
ATTACKING
US?

COULD
IT BE...?



ARRR

WE'LL SINK IF
I STOP NOW!!

WHAT
ARE
YOU...

LIZA! TURN OFF
THE ENGINE!!



HEY!!

NO TIME TO
EXPLAIN! I'M
TAKING OVER
THE CONTROLS!!

#5 WELTSCHMERZ

QUICKSAND
LAKE

WELTSCHMERZ

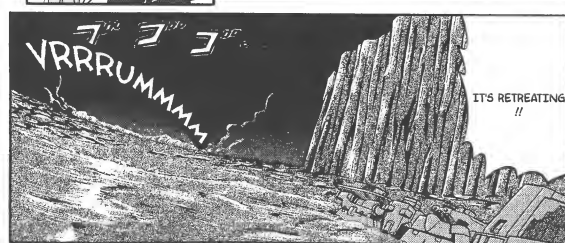
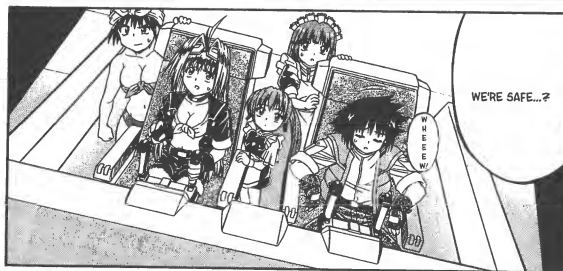
CLIFF

BIG GATES

MINEFIELD?

WHAT
DO
WE
DO!?







MAYBE... DURING
THE WAR,
ITS DUTY WAS TO
STOP THE ENEMY
FROM LANDING ON
THIS ROAD...

IT CAN'T DO
ANYTHING!!

NOW, EVEN DECADES
AFTER THE WAR, IT
KEEPS ON DEFENDING
THIS PATH...WHETHER
IT'S OUT OF AMMO OR
OUT OF ORDER, THE
CANNONS ARE JUST
FOR SHOW!!



I DON'T HAVE ANY
SOLID EVIDENCE...
BUT CAN YOU COME
UP WITH A BETTER
SOLUTION?

...AND AFTER
IMMOBILIZING
A TARGET, THEY
RETREAT...?

ARE YOU SAYING THAT
THE
"MINE LAUNCHER"
IS ITS ONLY
WEAPON IN USE?
THEY SET UP A TRAP...



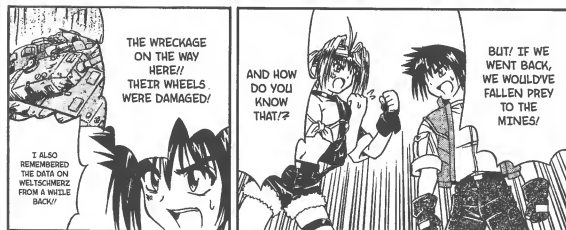
I-IT'S MY FAULT
THAT WE FELL IN
THE QUICKSAND...

THIS WOULDN'T
HAVE HAPPENED
IF WE JUST
WENT BACK...

YOU SELFISH
BASTARD!!

OW
...

C-CALM
DOWN...



THE WRECKAGE
ON THE WAY
HERE!!
THEIR WHEELS
WERE DAMAGED!

T ALSO
REMEMBERED
THE DATA ON
WELTSCHMERZ
FROM A WHILE
BACK!!

AND HOW
DO YOU
KNOW
THAT?!

BUT! IF WE
WENT BACK,
WE WOULD'VE
FALLEN PREY TO
THE MINES!



EVEN WHEN
WE COULDN'T
MOVE...IT
DIDN'T DO
ANYTHING...

THAT'S
BECAUSE...

IT SHOULD'VE HIT US
WITH A HEAVIER
ASSAULT FROM
THE BEGINNING!!
AFTERALL, ITS
PRACTICALLY A
CLUSTER OF
ARTILLERIES...

WAIT A SEC. WHY
IS IT TAKING
SUCH
ROUNDABOUT
TACTICS...?



WH...

WE'LL TAKE
DOWN THAT
WELTSCHMERZ!!



FIRST, LET'S GET
THE TRAILER
ONTO SOLID
GROUND.

WE'LL START
AT DAYBREAK.



GOTTA
HURRY...

IT'S COMING,
DADDY... 2.5KM
NORTH BY
NORTHEAST.

MAMET WILL
SWITCH TO
"EMERGENCY
MODE."

YOU
OUTTA
YOUR
MIND?!

POP 13 IN ENERGY-CONSERVATION MODE.



WHAT DO WE
DO TO GET
OUT OF
HERE?

WE'LL TRIGGER
THE MINES SO
THEY'RE OUTTA
OUR WAY!



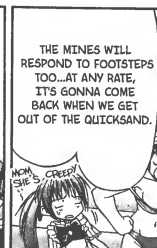
WHO CARES!!
LET'S GET THE
HELL OUTTA HERE
WHILE THAT THING
IS GONE!!

BUT...



THEN WE'LL
LEAVE THE
TRAILER
BEHIND
AND CLIMB
THE CLIFF...

OH PLEASE,
NOT THAT!



THE MINES WILL
RESPOND TO FOOTSTEPS
TOO...AT ANY RATE,
IT'S GONNA COME
BACK WHEN WE GET
OUT OF THE QUICKSAND.

NOW
SHE



YOU WANNA
DIG THEM UP
THEN?

NO. WE DON'T
KNOW HOW
DEEP THE
MINES ARE
BURIED. TOO
RISKY.



WHAT DO YOU
WANT TO DO?
YOU WANNA
SINK IN THE
SAND WITH
THE TRAILER?

WE WON'T
BE ABLE TO
CONTINUE
WITH OUR
MISSION.

WE CAN'T
LEAVE THE
TRAILER
BEHIND...

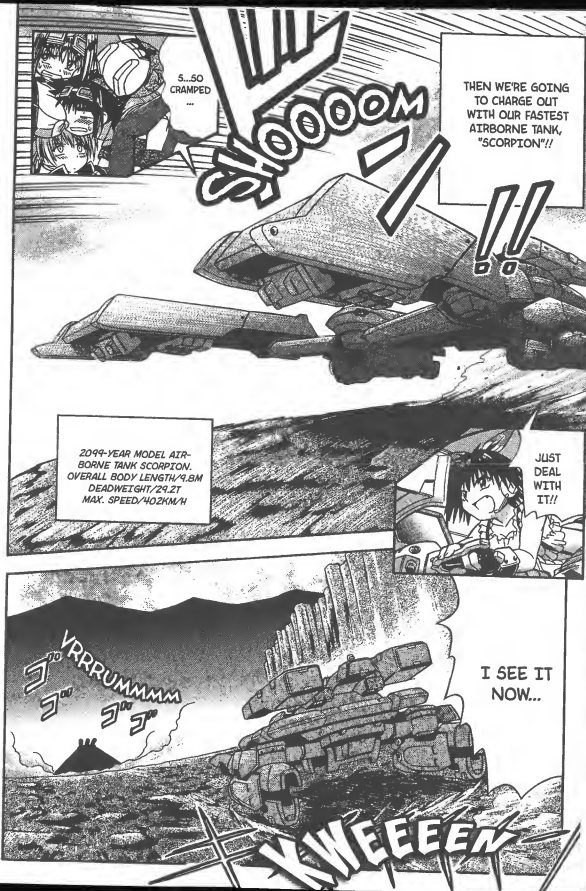
THERE'S
ONLY ONE
WAY...

IT'S
HUGE
!!



WELTSCHMERZ
A PYRAMID-SHAPED MOVING
FORTRESS WITH
EACH SIDE MEASURING
100M WIDE.
EQUIPPED WITH A MEGA-TUR-
RET
THAT CAN LAUNCH LOADED
SHELLS UP TO A RANGE
OF 20KM AND WITH A
VELOCITY OF MACH 5.

IT'S SO FREAKIN'
BIG UP CLOSE!!



2044-YEAR MODEL AIR-
BORNE TANK SCORPION.
OVERALL BODY LENGTH 11.6M
DEADWEIGHT 24.2T
MAX. SPEED 402KM/H

S...SO
CRAMPED
...

THEN WE'RE GOING
TO CHARGE OUT
WITH OUR FASTEST
AIRBORNE TANK,
"SCORPION"!!

JUST
DEAL
WITH
IT!!

YRRRRUMMMM
J'J'J'

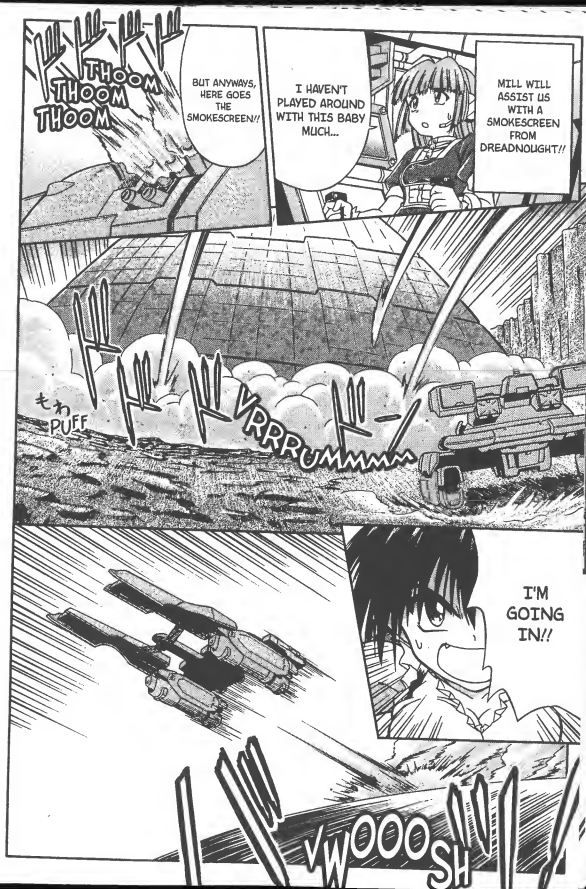
I SEE IT
NOW...

KWEEEEEN



SCORPION
STANDING MODE.

I'LL TRY TO
GET IN
FROM THE
BACKSIDE!



BUT ANYWAYS,
HERE GOES
THE
SMOKESCREEN!!

I HAVEN'T
PLAYED AROUND
WITH THIS BABY
MUCH...

MILL WILL
ASSIST US
WITH A
SMOKESCREEN
FROM
DREADNOUGHT!!

I'M
GOING
IN!!

ALRIGHT/
CHARGE IN!!

WE'RE GONNA
TRY OUR BEST
TO STOP IT...

I DUNNO
IF WE CAN!

YOU GUYS
TAKE
CARE OF THE
REST...

TOK TONK TONK

KREEEE...

ZZZSSSH

WOOTY! STEER
MORE GENTLY!!!

AACKU!!

MAMET/
OPEN THAT
HATCH!!

ALRIGHT

GRNN... GRNN...

IT... IT'S RIDICULOUSLY LARGE.

GRNN...

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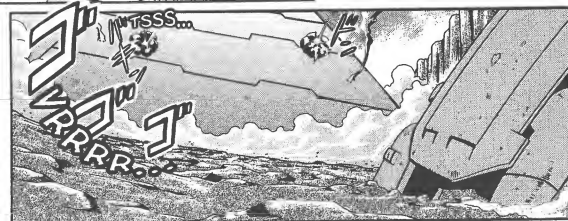
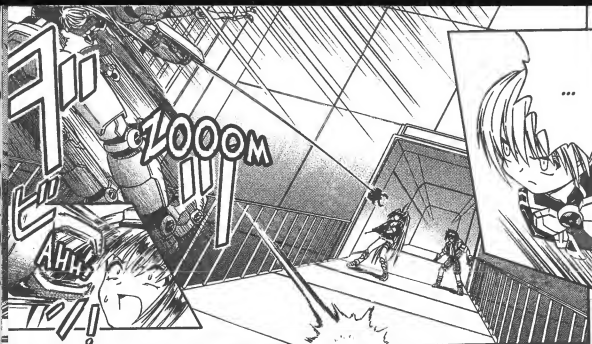
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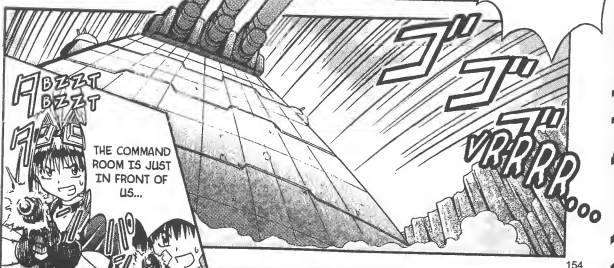
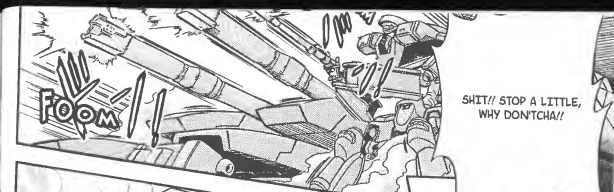
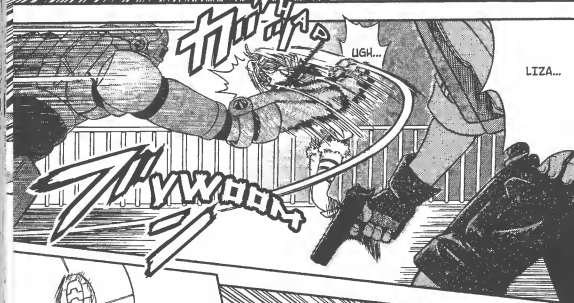
SOME-THING'S COMING...

HRRR... 7

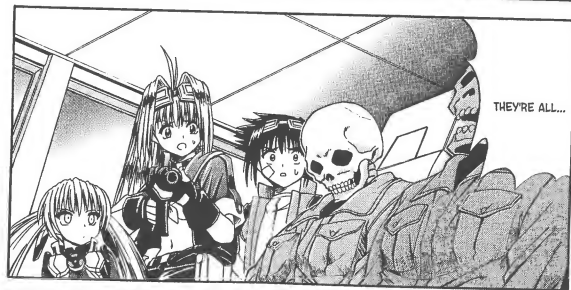
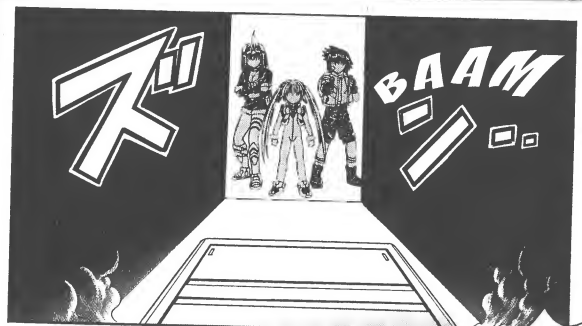
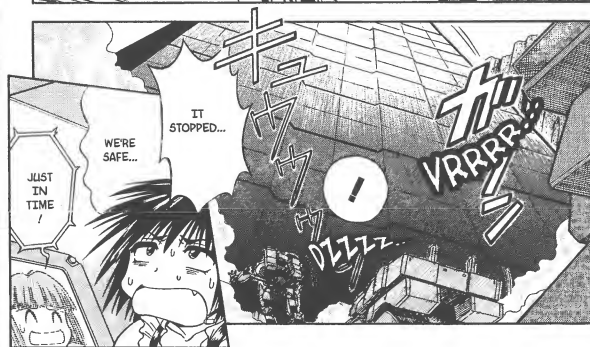
SECURITY ROBOT TROOPER...

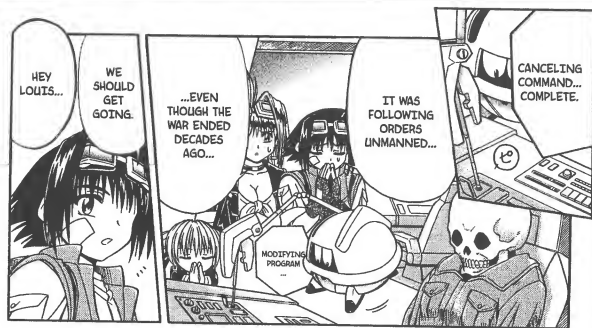
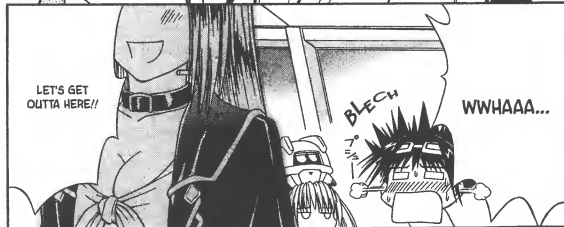
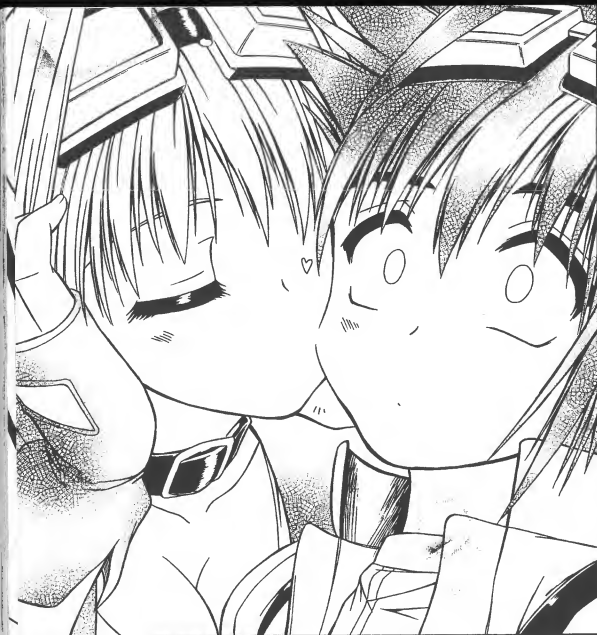
SOME-
THING'S
COMING..











WELTSCHMERZ
...

VRRRR...

YOU DESERVE A
LONG REST...

KLIK-KLIK-KLIK

HUNH?

HHA...?

VOAAANG



NAH...
I DIDN'T
DO
MUCH...

HM? WHY
ARE YOU
TURNING
SO RED?
TEE HEE...

YOU REALLY
OUTDID
YOURSELF
THIS TIME!!

THAT WAS
REALLY
CLOSE!

HUNH?

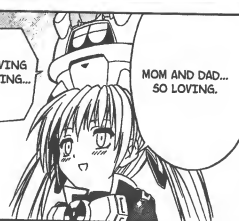


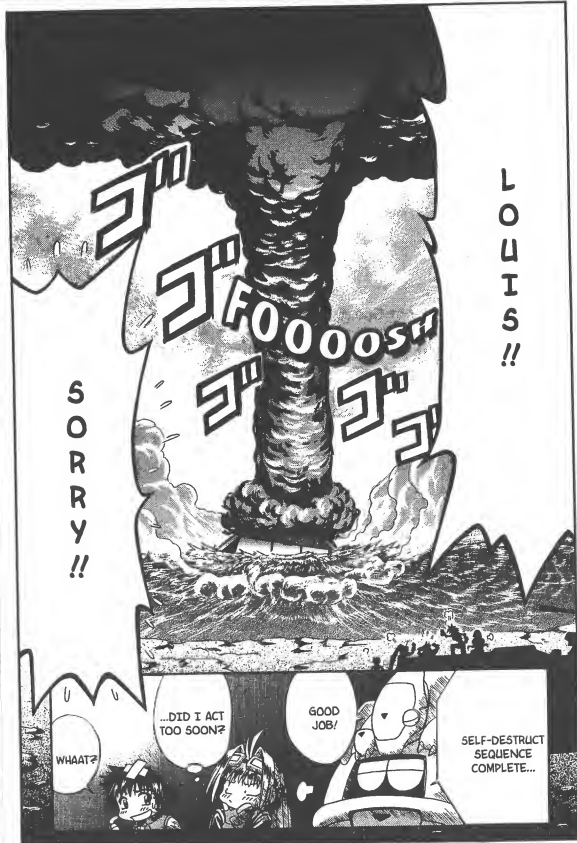
NOTHING!!

WHAT WERE YOU
TWO DOING IN
THERE?!

LOVING
LOVING...

MOM AND DAD...
SO LOVING.



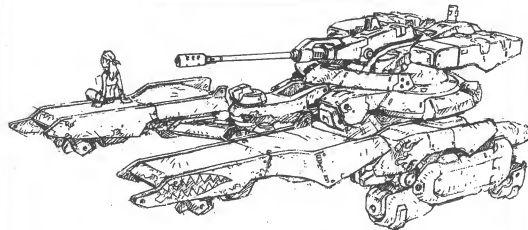


#6 GIO PARK



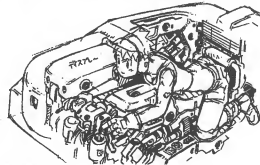
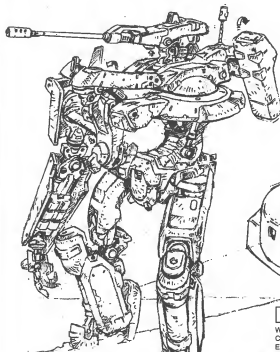
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SCORPION



DATA

2099 YEAR MODEL ANTI-AIRCRAFT TANK
"SCORPION"
MODEL TYPE: SHBT/S
MAKE: MCCLAMMILLER MILITARY DIVISION CORP.
OVERALL BODY LENGTH: 9.8M
CURB WEIGHT: 29.2T
MAX. SPEED: 402KM/H
EQUIPMENT: ANCHOR-HEEL DIRECT JET MOTOR*2,
EXHAUST LIFTING TYPE HOVERING UNIT*1,
2.44M CALIBER LINEAR CANNON*1



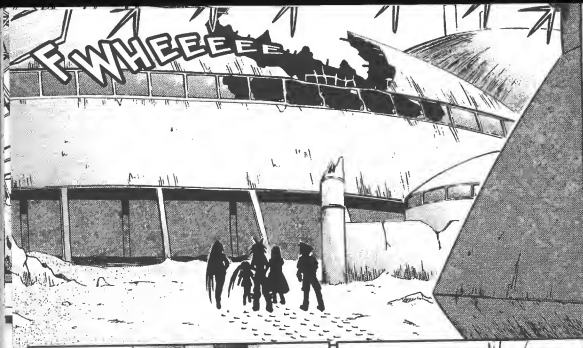
COCKPIT

WITH THE SEAT AND STEERING VERY MUCH LIKE A CYCLE, THE COMPLETELY ENCLOSED PILOT IS ALERT TO THE OUTSIDE ENVIRONMENT THROUGH VARIOUS MONITORS. THROTTLE AND BRAKE CONTROLS ARE LOCATED BY EITHER HAND.

ROBOT MODE

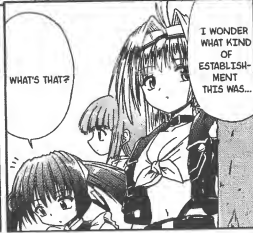
THE MAJOR WEAPON IN THIS FORM IS THE LINEAR CANNON MOUNTED ON TOP OF ITS HEAD AND THE MISSILE POD INSTALLED ON BACK. THE TWO HANDS ARE DETACHABLE, ENABLING IT TO CONTINUE FIGHTING EVEN WHEN THE HANDS ARE HIT.

SCORPION IS AN AIRBORNE TANK PRODUCED TO MEET THE GROWING DEMANDS OF THE 21ST CENTURY MILITARY DIVISION. THESE REQUIREMENTS NEEDED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN AIRBORNE TANK WITH A BUILT-IN JET ENGINE, A POWERFUL AND QUICK AND PRECISE SHOOTER, AND THEN MAKE A DISCREET RETREAT. THE CYCLE FORM IS A BATTLE. THE SCORPION IS CAPABLE OF ALL COMBAT ONLY TRANSFORMED INTO READY MODE. AFTER A FIGHT, IT IS CAPABLE OF LEAVING THE BATTLEFIELD AT AN AVERAGE SPEED OF 400KM/H. POPULAR FOR ITS COMBINATION OF FLEXIBILITY, EFFICIENCY, PROGRESS AND ADILITY.



G-I-O...
"GIO PARK"?

LOOKS
LIKE A
SIGNBOARD
...



WHAT'S THAT?

I WONDER
WHAT KIND
OF
ESTABLISH-
MENT
THIS WAS...



プシ
ZZZZ

LOOK! LOOK!
THE
ELEVATOR'S
WORKING!!



LOOKS LIKE
IT'S AN
UNDERGROUND
COMPLEX...

SOME SORT
OF PARK,
EH?



YAWN...



I DIDN'T
MEAN IT LIKE
THAT. IT'S JUST
A LITTLE
DULL WHEN
NOTHING
HAPPENS.

YOU SOUND
LIKE YOU
DON'T WANT
THINGS TO
GO SMOOTHLY.



IT'S ODD THAT
EVERYTHING'S
GOING SO
SMOOTHLY.

I'M
FALLING
ASLEEP...



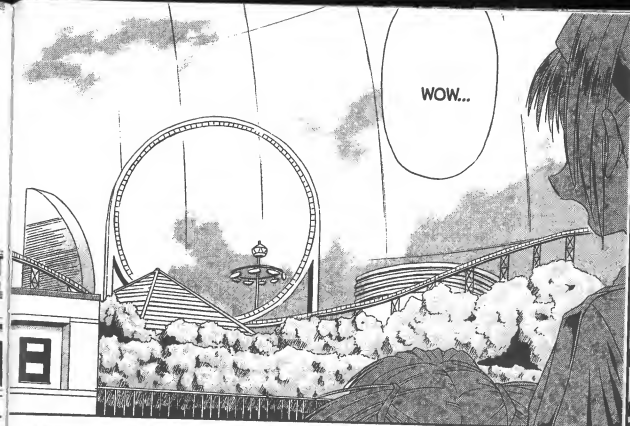
HEY...
A STRUCTURE.



OH?

BUT YOU
COMPLAIN
WHEN
SOMETHING
DOES HAPPEN...

BLEEP



TAA-DAAA!!

SINCE WE'VE COME
THIS FAR, WE
SHOULD GO IN
STYLE!!

YOU'RE ON A ROLL
ハハハハハハ
ああ...

HE SAID JUST
FOR A WHILE!!
ハハハハハハ

ALL RIGHT!
HERE WE GO!!

WHERE THE HELL
DOES SHE KEEP
ALL THOSE?
IN THE
TRAILER??

...I'M ALWAYS
IMPRESSED
WITH HOW MUCH
CLOTHING SHE
HAS...

A
W
W
W

UM...WE
DIDN'T
ACTUALLY
COME HERE
TO PLAY...

WELCOME TO
"GIO PARK"!!

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G
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KRACKLE

FREE!!

250TH
ANNIVER-
SARY?!

MA'AM/ RIGHT NOW,
"GIO PARK" IS
CELEBRATING OUR
250TH ANNIVERSARY
AND OFFERING FREE
ADMITTANCE TO OUR
CUSTOMERS.

BUT WE
DON'T EVEN
HAVE
MONEY...

MOMMY LET'S
GO PLAAAY.
MOMMIEEE
...

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SO WE HAVE
THE WHOLE
PARK TO
OURSELVES?!!

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US!!
LUCKY

NO, YOUR PARTY
WILL BE OUR
FIRST GUESTS IN
40 YEARS.

UM... ARE
THERE ANY
OTHER
CUSTOMERS
BESIDES US
?

ARRRR... OKAY,
I GET THE
POINT!! BUT
JUST FOR A
LITTLE WHILE!!

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COME ON!
COME ON!

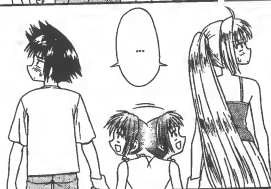
ANOTHER
小支度 ONE!

MOMMY,
MOMMY, LET'S
GO PLAY!
MOMMY!



WHA...

LIZA, LOUIS...
YOU TWO LOOK
LIKE NEWLYWEDS
LIKE THAT.

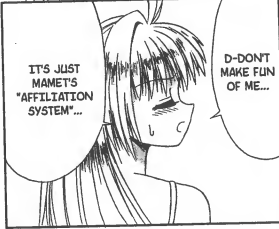


MOM AND
DAD --
A LOVING
COUPLE!



IT'S NOT LIKE I
WANTED THIS
TO HAPPEN...

T-THAT'S
RIGHT...



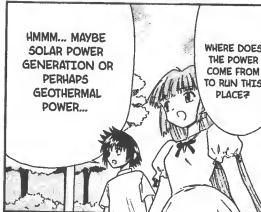
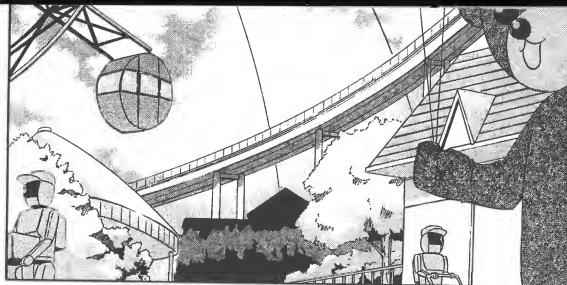
IT'S JUST
MANET'S
"AFFILIATION
SYSTEM"...

D-DONT
MAKE FUN
OF ME...



I KNOW.../
WHADDYA MEAN
ANYONE?/

Y-YEAH.
WHY WOULD
ANYONE WANT
TO BE WITH
LOUIS...?



HMMM... MAYBE
SOLAR POWER
GENERATION OR
PERHAPS
GEOTHERMAL
POWER...

WHERE DOES
THE POWER
COME FROM
TO RUN THIS
PLACE?



EVEN THE
TREES ARE
ARTIFICIAL...

WISH THEY
WERE REAL...

LOOKS LIKE
THE STAFF ARE
ALL ROBOTS...



...FORGOTTEN BY
EVERYONE BECAUSE
OF THE WAR.

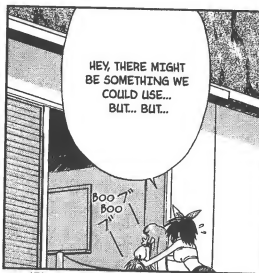
THEY PROBABLY
CONTINUED TO
OPERATE BY
MAINTAINING
THE PARK ON THEIR
OWN...

FROM THE
LOOKS OF THE
DOME
I DOUBT THEY
HAVE ANY
SUPPLIES.

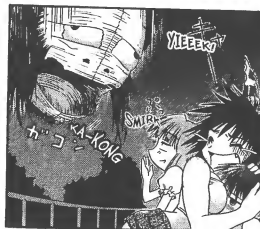
I WONDER IF
THERE ARE ANY
MORE LIKE
THAT...

KINDA LIKE THAT
"SCAVENGER" AND
"WELTSCHMERZ"...

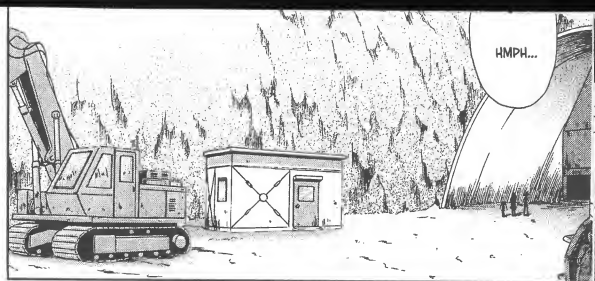




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IT'S A
CHURCH...



UH...

HURRY!



LET'S
GO IN.

WHAT'S THIS?
AM I SUPPOSED
TO CONFESS MY
WILD FANTASY?

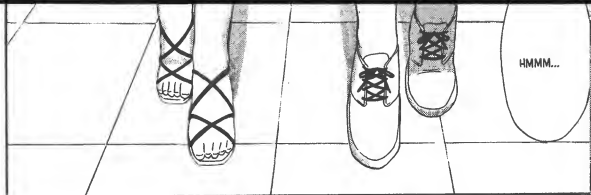


FEELS LIKE
...

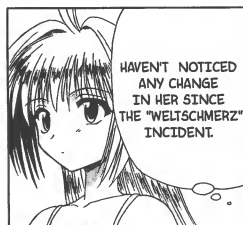
THIS
KINDA...

W-WHOA...

WE'RE ON A
DATE!
YEAH RIGHT!



HMMM...



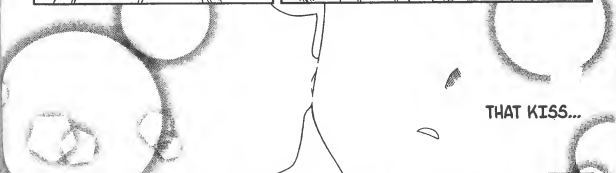
HAVEN'T NOTICED
ANY CHANGE
IN HER SINCE
THE "WELTSCHMERZ"
INCIDENT.



WHAT AM I
SUPPOSED TO
TALK ABOUT..?

COME TO THINK
OF IT, I'VE NEVER
WALKED ALONE
WITH A GIRL
BEFORE...

Drip
Drip

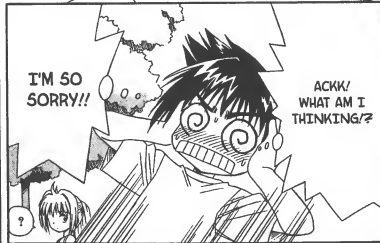


THAT KISS...



OUT?

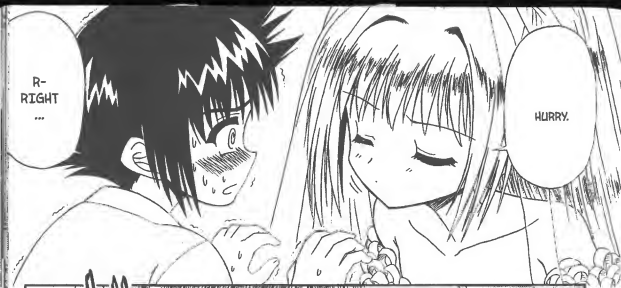
WHAT?



I'M SO
SORRY!!

ACKK!
WHAT AM I
THINKING?!





R-
RIGHT
...

HURRY.



LIZA...ARE
YOU
SHAKING?

HM?

WICH



OK,
HERE I
GO...

SO... SHE'S
GOT A GIRLY
SIDE TOO...

OH...
SORRY...

5-STOP
SAYING
NONSENSE
!!



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7?

UH...

NOW/
KISS
THE
BRIDE!!

O-OF
COURSE
NOT...

WE CAN'T DO
THAT/ RIGHT
LIZA?!

THAT'S
ABSURD
...



HERE?!

HERE...

ALL
RIGHT...

SIGH...



T-THAT'S
RIGHT
IT'S THE ONLY
WAY OUTTA
HERE...

Y-YEAH...

THERE'S NO
SPECIAL
MEANING TO
THIS, OKAY?

NO USE
ARGUING,
WE CAN'T
GET OUT
UNLESS WE
KISS...



WE DUG UP TONS OF TREASURE!



THERE'S NOTHING LIKE A TREASURE TO RELIEVE THE STRESS OF OUR JOURNEY...

AHH. FEELS SO GOOD...

DON'T BE SILLY!!

MAYBE YOU'RE THINKING, "I HOPE LOUIS COMES"...

SORRY ABOUT INTERRUPTING YOU TWO BACK THERE.

HEY LIZA...

W-WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT...?

SOUNDS LIKE THEY'RE HAVING FUN...

ぽっぽっ — 人

HMM...



I WAS HOPING FOR SOME OTHER KINDA "TREASURE" THOUGH!

I SEE...SO THAT EXPLAINS THE GEOTHERMAL POWER GENERATION.

THEY BUILT THE SPA FACILITY FIRST, BUT NEVER FOUND THE ACTUAL HOT SPRING.

A HOT SPRING!



YOU MEAN TOGETHER WITH...

THE GUYS TUB IS OVER THERE!!

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ACK!!

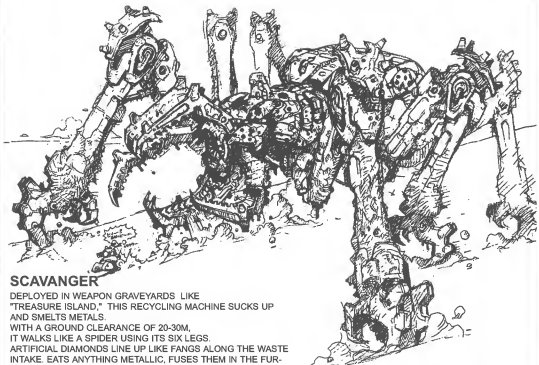
TOGETHER?

DADDY! LET'S GO IN TOGETHER.



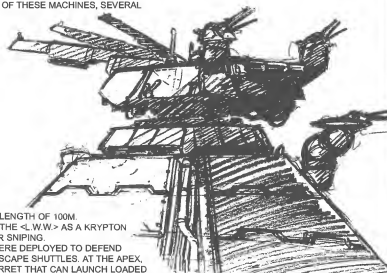
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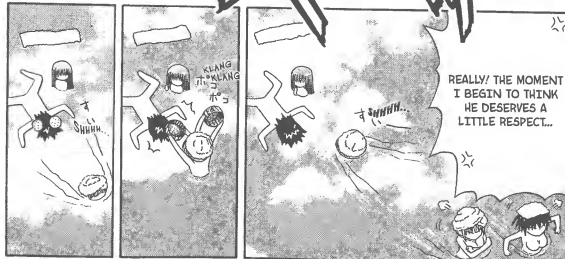
SCAVANGER

DEPLOYED IN WEAPON GRAVEYARDS LIKE "TREASURE ISLAND," THIS RECYCLING MACHINE SUCKS UP AND SMELTS METALS WITH A GROUND CLEARANCE OF 20-30M. IT WALKS LIKE A SPIDER USING ITS SIX LEGS. ARTIFICIAL DIAMONDS LINE UP LIKE FANGS ALONG THE WASTE INTAKE. EATS ANYTHING METALLIC, FUSES THEM IN THE FURNACE LOCATED IN ITS ABDOMEN, AND DISCHARGES METALLIC PELLETS FOR RECYCLING. WITH THE A.I. FAILING ON MANY OF THESE MACHINES, SEVERAL HAVE GONE WILD.



WELTSCHMERZ

A GIGANTIC PYRAMID-SHAPED MOVING FORTRESS WITH A SIDE LENGTH OF 100M. MANUFACTURED JUST PRIOR TO THE <L.W.W.> AS A KRYPTON FLUORIDE LASER CANNONRY FOR SNIPING. LATER, ONLY EIGHT STATIONS WERE DEPLOYED TO DEFEND THE LAUNCHING BASE OF THE ESCAPE SHUTTLES. AT THE APEX, IT IS EQUIPPED WITH A MEGA-TURRET THAT CAN LAUNCH LOADED SHELLS WITH A RANGE OF 20KM AND THE INITIAL VELOCITY OF MACH 5. THE OUTER-SHELL IS MADE OF COMPOUND ARMOR AND IS INCOMPARABLY DURABLE.



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